Park Distributes RFA Funding Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Oklahoma National Fire Plan – Community Assistance

Chickasaw National Recreation Area has benefited from long-term support by the local fire departments, Davis, Hickory, Dougherty, Joy, Rock Prairie, and Sulphur. On their behalf, Chickasaw NRA applied for and received Rural Fire Assistance funding to enhance these rural fire departments wildland fire suppression ability.

Each rural fire department must meet a minimum of six eligibility criteria to qualify for the funding including a formalized cooperative



Chickasaw National Recreation Area is known for mineral springs, cool water, flora, and fauna.

relationship between the NPS and the rural fire department, the NPS unit is a Department of the Interior wildland fire entity that cooperates with the rural fire department; the rural fire department serves a community with a population of 10,000 or less with wildland/urban interface; funds are limited to wildland fire training, wildland fire related equipment or supplies, and wildland fire prevention/education activities; and the rural fire department must meet a cost share minimum of 10%.

The following rural fire departments received funding based on their proposed needs:

- Davis Fire Department \$2,000
- Hickory Fire Department \$1,000
- Dougherty Fire Department \$2,000
- Joy Fire Department \$2,000
- Rock Prairie Fire Department \$1,000
- Sulphur Fire Department \$3,000

Chickasaw NRA is looking forward to many more years of mutual aid cooperation by these six departments.

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